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THE GOOD GRAVELLY ROAD.

In the western part of Massachusetts they have come to the conclusion that good roads are not necessarily expensive macadam roads, but roads that contain more gravel than sand—roads that are scraped hard and rounded to shed rain. The sandy roads in that part of New England are said to have improved by dumping gravel upon them, and when the automobiles come flying over the road they grind in the gravel, making a road-bed which it is said is nearly perfect for all kinds of teaming. The Worcester Telegram is authority for the statement that "it is claimed by men who have ridden over the western Massachusetts roads this summer that they are better than ever before. Some insist that the gravel roads are better than the macadam highways that the state has put in." Commenting upon this the Telegram says: "The gravelly process may be just what is needed to make certain sections of the highways right for travel. Judgment is needed in the treatment of roads. Men are paying more attention to them. It is not always the most expensive process that counts. Money can be saved by the application of judgment to Massachusetts roads, and the set formulas are often too expensive for right results. There is plenty of gravel, and little danger that it will be used too freely. The cheaper and better the roads the more business will be done."

A LACK OF DISCRETION.

An Indian scandal is no new thing. The Indians have always been considered by certain whites in authority as just fit to prey upon; and when they complained as objects that could be conveniently slandered and persecuted. They could be lied out of countenance and out of court, for who would take stock in a "red skin"? The McMurray contracts, in connection with which Vice-President Sherman has been unjustly scandalized, represents a swindle of millions from the Oklahoma Indians under the cover of "attorneys' fees."

There was no malice in Senator Gore's statement. He said that he was approached by a lobbyist for the lawyers and that the lobbyist indicated to him that among those who were interested in the contracts were Vice-President Sherman. This lobbyist was known, of course, to be dishonest, and he was bandying the name of Sherman to induce Senator Gore to commit himself to the scheme, but his prevaricating did not operate as he thought it might, because he was up against an honest man.

The wrong in this matter was that the investigation of Senator Gore upon the mention of names openly, which upon such unreliable evidence was indiscreet in the extreme. There was not a particle of evidence that Mr. Sherman had anything to do with the transaction, and his positive denial was sufficient to make an end of the matter so far as it concerned him.

It was a piece of indiscretion on the part of the committee and the senator, on such flimsy evidence, to involve the high office Mr. Sherman holds with such scandalous proceedings. It has sufficed to show how our high officials are lied about by unprincipled and unscrupulous men.

MILITARISM—WEYLERISM.

The fierce individualism of Gen. Weyler is strongly condemned because of what seems to be his brutality, but when examined carefully there is not so much difference between militarism and Weylerism, as it presents its front to the nations. Gen. Weyler's last barbarous utterance is this to the Catalans: "The moment a revolutionary outbreak in Barcelona compels me as a captain-general to assume the supreme command I want the revolutionists to know they must prepare for a merciless fight. There will be neither prisoners nor wounded. The walls of the hospitals will become useless and the cemeteries will have to be enlarged."

This is Gen. Weyler's heroic method of checking an anticipated outbreak, just as big armies, big battleships and big guns are a check upon the warring nations of Christendom. The object which prompts five great nations to spend an aggregate of nearly a billion dollars a year as a guaranty of peace is through fear to hold one another in check. Treachery for peace in these times is superior equipment for war. The nations are not dominated by love, which is so generally preached, but by fear, and it was upon fear that Gen. Weyler was depending to prevent a scene of violence in which he probably could find no pleasure.

It is an open question whether Weylerism is a force in reality as it is made to appear on paper. Gen. Weyler was going to land the forces of Spain on the southern coast and march on Washington not so many years ago, but instead he heard the recall and departed for his quarters in Spain.

In this speech of Weyler's to the Catalans any fiercer than the message sent by the commander of an American garrison at Nicaragua recently, when he told the troops in the fort that if they fired on the American flag he would give them a broadside that would raise the fort and exterminate every man of them? We rather liked this fierce and vigorous threat.

Militarism is fierce, and its commanders check disturbances by the expression of fierce threats. We confess that we do not like Weyler, but is he really responsible for his style?

When a rainstorm does three million worth of damage in one section it usually benefits some other section ten millions. Nature keeps her balance on the right side.

The European aviators are of the opinion that pneumatic garments might protect them in a fall. That is a bounding prospect, any how.

WHAT THE CENSUS IS SHOWING.

The figures of the census for 1910 are said to show that the country is making a proportional increase in population with the cities—that to a degree the drift from the rural district to the various metropolises of the country has been checked. As a matter of fact the largest percentage gains up to date are in the country places. The cities on the whole are not showing the enormous increases they had been expected to develop, but many of them are severely disappointed in their returns.

The change is due to good roads, telephone communication, free rural delivery, and quicker modes of traveling. The whole countryside in all parts of the nation has lost its insularity—its isolated conditions in the past two decades have made the country very much more inviting and abiding, and more people are seeking homes there.

It is not a bad sign to see the big cities like New York and Chicago are falling behind what is considered their natural ratio of increase, although it seems to be very disturbing to these ambitious populous centers. Every city is better for the rural districts, and the rural districts are better for the cities like the quiet of the country for home life and with modern facilities find no difficulty in living many miles away, or in transacting business by wire while at such country places.

This proportionate gain in country places foreshadows better things for the whole nation, and the indications are that the tendency for rural life and semi-rural life will be greatly increased during the next decade.

SOLDIERS AND STRIKERS.

The striker does not look upon the soldier as his friend, although there is no rational reason why he should regard him as a foe to his interests. The soldier's duty is not along lines of interference with the laws are defied and the public peace is being disturbed. When the soldiers were ordered to Columbus, O., to preserve order during the recent railroad strike fears of violence were entertained; but the men of arms never permitted themselves to be unduly just as a specimen of their manly paragraph appears in a western paper:

"Pardon me, sir, but you cannot get through here without a pass. This is what an Ohio militiaman said to a citizen who was about to cross the guard lines in the state house grounds in Columbus, where the soldiers are encamped during the street car strike. In emergency, the police suggestion might have been followed up with a bullet, but the attitude of the gentleman soldier was so effective that a gruff order halt! for it commanded respectful obedience and gave no ground for a feeling of resentment which sometimes breeds violence as a result of pompous display of authority."

There was the best of order maintained and the feeling between the strikers and the men in the ranks was, as it should be, friendly and sympathetic. At no time was there unnecessary show of force. Even the strikers, at all of whose meetings violence and rioting was discouraged, commended the militiamen. The bond of sympathy between the strikers and the soldiers—all good citizens of the same great commonwealth—was evidenced when the men of the Sixth regiment contributed \$500 of their camp pay to relieve the distress of needy families of soldiers' wives.

This is a good example—the way it always should be. American militiamen are working men with workmen's hearts, and they are the friends of the strikers, not their foes.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The hobble skirt is aptly described as a laundry bag upside down.

The square deal is regarded with favor only when it is coming our way.

Condensed milk has taken a rise of 30 per cent. The picnic demand is at its height.

When it comes to radiating silence it is said Speaker Cannon is an adept even at that.

"As a state of mind," declares the Full River News, "Kansas certainly rivals Boston!"

The English confidence men like to meet rich Americans because they are such easy marks.

Uncle Sam owes a little over a billion and a quarter, but it doesn't keep him awake nights.

Most people who plead for harmony know no harmony that does not keep step to their ideal of things.

It requires a dollar a week a head to govern the people of Chicago; and the bald heads are not immune.

The Sultan of Sulu is coming to America to select his fifteenth wife. He is said to have an income of \$125 a month.

In the west they regard "the bronchial cough" of a second-hand automobile as among the most harrowing noises.

A missionary from Corea says the Japanese love us. So long as they do not fear us it is just as well to have a care.

What has New York to gain by the assassination of Mayor Gaynor? The assassin should be wiped out of American life.

This city is not facing anything like a water famine. If it were Fairview water would not be allowed for the uses it is to-day.

Now Portugal is making faces at the Pope. Those Catholic countries cannot stand the heel of tyranny any better than other countries.

The Pennsylvania miners' wives showed up their children to Col. Roosevelt, and his proudest smile went to the mother of eighteen.

The republicans of Iowa repudiate Taft and at the same time request him to put an Iowa man on the supreme court bench. That's check.

Postmaster-General Hitchcock by the application of business principles has reduced postal expenses \$30,000,000, but that doesn't cause the insurgents to praise him.

When a man enjoys this time of the year if you are a clerk on an excursion boat or the seller of dinner tickets at a summer resort.

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY.

MOON-FARMING.

IT DIFFERS MUCH FROM NEWER METHODS.

Farmer Story wasn't really old, but his agricultural implements, his agricultural lore and his tales were so old that it seemed appropriate to call him "Old Story." He was helping me out in a garden in a vale in the White Mountains. The land was ready. Even Old Story conceded that so far as the season and the condition of the soil had anything to do with the matter, it was the apt, particular moment for planting.

"It seems all right, and a feller as green to farm in as you be, would say 'stop' but I know different," said Story, leaning against a tree. "The moon ain't right. It's the wane of the moon and them peas will try to throw their stalks downward. Corn is different. Seems like it knowed more'n peas. Corn don't go explorin' downward, lookin' for Chiny, like peas. It just waits, you might say, until the moon is right. But it don't make no odds. The moon has gotter be right if you expect to git a crop."

"I went down to the agricultural college, a spell back to the short source agonomers, for farmers, he continued, seating himself. "Them professors was talkin' about nitrogen and phosphates an' potash, about turnin' over green crops for fertilizer an' sprayin' fruit trees an' the like o' that. They talked agin the old-fashioned practice of hillin' in corn an' plantin' peaters in melons, like we been doin' here from the time of the Indians, an' like enough the Indians done it that way. I'd rather hev an Injun herb doctor than the smartest folk that ever come out o' Harvard medical."

"Them professors said we was usin' too small plows in New Hampshire. I says, 'One o' them big plows gits so much headway along its weight that when it hits a rock it knocks the point off, but a little plow either stops or slips to one side. You come from Minnesota, where there ain't no rocks,' ez I to one professor. 'That's the trouble of fillin' up this faculty with western fellers.'"

"That same professor said we used too small cows. He said it took as much feed for a little cow as a big one. He said the state covered a loss of \$4 a head on cows. I said them was the kind of cows we had all raised, that my grandfather, Deacon Nutting, raised them kind and that a heavy cow would git played out climbin' around a hill pasture."

"Now, Silas," says Neighbor Goddin Pease, who was talkin' the course, "I favor big cows. Them old stum walls our ancestors built has been settin' 'round in the state house grounds in Columbus, where the soldiers are encamped during the street car strike. In emergency, the police suggestion might have been followed up with a bullet, but the attitude of the gentleman soldier was so effective that a gruff order halt! for it commanded respectful obedience and gave no ground for a feeling of resentment which sometimes breeds violence as a result of pompous display of authority."

The summer girl seeks retirement when she eats her corn right off the ear.

The 15-year-old Dorchester, Mass., girl who can outswim seven men in a half-day's exercise in the water is a fine exhibit of the gentler sex.

Think of the extravagance of Chicago in spreading new pavements for the feet of the Knights Templar. What city ever did the like before?

Washington, D. C., is to have a ball game played in Esperanto. If the fans would take to Esperanto it would improve the remarks about the umpire.

A Writer's Secret. J. M. Barrie always likes to have a dictionary on the table when he is at work. Not that he uses it very much, but its presence gives him "a feeling of security." This little revelation was made yesterday at the meeting of that blessing and boon of the writing world, the London Library, by Sir A. Conan Doyle, and no doubt, one out of it will be a general order among the men of the pen that their "Nuttall" or their "Webster" shall henceforward, always be on the table. They

"By gorry, that floored me all right. But I spoke up and said: 'I've heard a pile of so-called science here and other men have been called on to give their experience; but I've been slighted, like. Don't make no odds, but I want to talk some, more for the benefit of the faculty, for they ain't alluded to it and I want to say that you mustn't plant peas or beans in the wane of the moon. If you start haying in the first increase your hay will head in the mow. Ford killed in the dark of the moon won't keep. Set a hen in the full of the moon and the eggs will addle.'"

"Stop!" bellowed the professor. He was jealous, I guess, of me knowin' more'n him. I can't hev our time wasted any longer. The moon don't hev no more to do with the agricultural prosperity of this country than fellers like you do."

"So I got out of that quick's I could and went home." "What was I to do? Could I brave public opinion and go on with my planting?" I had dared to introduce some innovations that are considered the elements of agriculture in the west and had encountered disapproval at that even went so far as to will. "Very well, Mr. Story," I said softly. "The day has just begun. If you think we ought not to plant I will pay you off and we'll stop. Still, you can't do your own planting till the moon changes."

Almost before the words were out of my mouth, with a magnificent gesture of disdain and sense of outrage, Old Story seized the seeder and its wheels revolved at an unprecedented rate down the field, a low but intense muttering, "I know it all," rising above the clack of the machine.

I told him again to stop if he liked, but he only went the faster.

The peas came up. Everything came up and flourished. I planted a considerable period earlier than the garden that waited for the prescribed time of the moon, my garden was ahead of the weeds, ahead of dry weather and was not earlier but therefore better than the gardens of the moon farmers. I called Old Story in and asked him to explain the failure of the moon to act adversely.

"I allus hate to see folks that don't believe nawthin'," said he, looking at the surging peas and billowing corn. "Some folks won't believe nawthin', even when you prove different." His gaze fell absently on the long rows of feathery carrots and plump turnips. "You can't tell 'em nawthin'." You can't even show 'em nawthin'."

"How to be witty," Price Silence, and we did not buy it. Hence, doubtless, this unwitty note. But if we cannot sparkle we can at least be confident; so Betty, bring the candles and also the "Roget," the "Walker," and the "Nuttall." We have essays to write—feuilletons—a rondeau double—a little review; and we would fain set to work with confidence.—Pall Mall Gazette.

"Why do widows almost always marry again?" "Because dead men tell no tales."—Cleveland Leader.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

A Fault Remedied.

"Come, fly with me," says the aviator, and that is the last you hear. The engine drowns your lamentations. The wind blows them away. No matter how scared you are, you can't make the pilot understand. You give it up, for air and din combine to enforce the rule, "Don't talk to the motorman." Novelists are beside themselves with rage over this limitation. Where is the fun of laying the scene in the sky if one's heroine can't converse with one's hero? Besides, it's calamitous, economically. Novelists are forced to run their fiction clear across the page, instead of producing a mere rival of texts along the left-hand margin. The waste of literature by such necessity eats into the profits at a shocking rate.

Happily, the French army has come to the rescue of the novelists with a new invention. The hero, sitting in front, wears a funnel on one ear, and a speaking tube on one shoulder. Thus the heroine can engage in conversation half an inch wide, to the great benefit of the novelists.

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also will not use it very much, but there will be that "feeling." In like manner our poets will, no doubt, take care that for the future that source of so much inspiration, the joyous and indispensible "Walker," shall be within arm's reach while sonnets and ballads and things are being compiled. Not that it will be used very much—perish the thought!—but there will be the "feeling." And with a "Nuttall," a "Walker,"—and shall we add a "Roget" on the table, what a confidence there would be! Years ago in a shop, I saw a book for sale called "How to Be Witty; Price Sixpence," and we did not buy it. Hence, doubtless, this unwitty note. But if we cannot sparkle we can at least be confident; so Betty, bring the candles and also the "Roget," the "Walker," and the "Nuttall." We have essays to write—feuilletons—a rondeau double—a little review; and we would fain set to work with confidence.—Pall Mall Gazette.

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of novelists. But the Clerk sees a use for the appliance that will bless even the non-aerial classes. What a boon at the opera! Dialogues in the proscenium boxes need no longer disturb musical-lovers in the Wagnerian peanut gallery.—Clerk, in Boston Transcript.

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